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In re Application of:

JERALD K. RASMUSSEN AND PATRICK L. COLEMAN

Application No.:

10/087,555

Group Art Unit:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Attached is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee for this amendment is computed as follows:

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(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	Highes	(4) st No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	7	Minus	**	20	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	Minus	***	3	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
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Please charge to Deposit Account 13-3723 any fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application. This authorization includes the fee for any extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) that may be necessary. To the extent any such extension should become necessary, it is hereby requested. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

March 16, 2004

Date ·

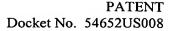
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 16, 2003, in the above-identified application, and includes:

- Amendments to the Specification (page 2);
- Amendments to the Claims (pages 3-4);
- Remarks (pages 5-9);
- Conclusion (page 10).

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no extension fee is due; however, in the event an extension fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.